GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CIVIL AVIATION
LOK SABHA

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PURCHASE OF ILS
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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Airports Authority of India has purchased a number of Instrument Landing System (ILS) for installation at various airports involving crore of rupess but the same remained unutilized;

(b) if so, the reasons for not installing the ILS at the airports and the reaction of the Government thereto;

(c) whether C&AG has also reported this matter in its Report No. 3 of 2005(Commercial); and

(d) if so, the action taken by the Government in the matter?

Answer

- MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION(SHRI PRAFUL PATEL)

(a) and (b) Airports Authority of India (AAI) purchased 20 Instrument Landing System (ILS) during 2001-03 meant for replacement/ installation at various airports. There was delay in installation of ILS at 8 airports due to delay in land acquisition, obstacle clearance etc.

(c) Yes, Sir.

(d) AAI has since overcome the obstacles with consistent efforts and installed 6 out of 8 ILS. The 7th ILS is likely to be provided at the new runway of Vishakhapatnam airport after completion of the runway. 8th ILS will also be installed at Jammu airport after commissioning of extended portion of runway which is held up due to delay in demolition of an old security wall. Instructions have been issued to AAI to take corrective measures to avoid such recurrence in future.